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HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1336

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning public safety.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 10-19-7-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: **Sec. 5. (a) For purposes of this section, "EMS" means emergency medical services.**

- (b) For purposes of this section, "state EMS medical director" refers to the state emergency medical services medical director appointed under subsection (c).
- (c) The executive director shall appoint an individual to serve as the state emergency medical services medical director. The individual must have the following qualifications:
 - (1) Thorough knowledge of state EMS laws and administrative rules and regulations.
 - (2) At least five (5) years experience in the following:
 - (A) Medical direction of out of hospital EMS.
 - (B) Emergency department treatment of acutely ill and injured patients.
 - (3) Significant experience and familiarity with the following:
 - (A) The design and operation of statewide EMS systems.
 - (B) Working with national and other state EMS committees.
 - (4) At the time of the individual's appointment, has a valid



and unrestricted license to practice medicine in Indiana.

- (5) Be certified by the American Board of Emergency Medicine.
- (6) Other areas of knowledge and expertise that the executive director determines essential.

The state EMS medical director shall be an employee of the department.

- (d) The executive director shall submit the name of the individual whom the executive director would like to appoint as state EMS medical director to the Indiana emergency medical services commission created by IC 16-31-2-1. The commission may, by a majority of the members, vote not later than thirty (30) days after the submission on whether to approve the appointment. If the commission:
 - (1) does not take any action; or
 - (2) by a majority of the commission votes to approve the appointment of the individual;

not later than thirty (30) days after, the appointment shall become effective. If a majority of the commission votes not later than thirty (30) days after the submission of the appointment to not approve the appointment, the executive director shall restart the appointment process and submit an alternative individual for appointment.

- (e) The state EMS medical director shall oversee all pre-hospital aspects of the statewide EMS system, including the following:
 - (1) Medical components for systems of care that interface or integrate with the statewide EMS system, including the following:
 - (A) Statewide planning for trauma, burn, cardiac, and stroke care.
 - (B) Domestic preparedness.
 - (C) EMS for children.
 - (2) For all levels of emergency responders, establishment of the following:
 - (A) Statewide model guidelines and best practices for all patient care activities to ensure delivery of medical care consistent with professionally recognized standards.
 - (B) A statewide EMS continuous quality improvement program.
 - (C) A statewide EMS advocacy program.
 - (3) In cooperation with appropriate state and local agencies, training and certification of all EMS providers.



- (f) The state EMS medical director shall assist the executive director on all issues related to statewide EMS, including the following:
 - (1) Consulting with EMS medical directors.
 - (2) In consultation with the Indiana emergency medical services commission created by IC 16-31-2-1, providing guidance and assistance on the following matters:
 - (A) Scope of practice for EMS providers.
 - (B) Restrictions placed on EMS certifications.
 - (C) Appropriate corrective and disciplinary actions for EMS personnel.
 - (D) Education and training on emerging issues in EMS.
 - (3) EMS system research.
 - (4) Coordination of all medical activities for disaster planning and response.
 - (5) Improving quality of care, research, and injury prevention programs.

SECTION 2. IC 16-31-2-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.77-2012, SECTION 17, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 8. The commission may do the following:

- (1) Develop training and certification standards for emergency medical responders under this article.
- (2) Require emergency medical responders to be certified under the standards developed under subdivision (1).
- (3) Develop reciprocal certification training standards for individuals who have received medical training by a branch of the United States armed forces.
- (4) Not later than thirty (30) days after the executive director of the department of homeland security submits an appointment for state emergency medical services medical director to the commission, vote concerning whether to approve the appointment in accordance with IC 10-19-7-5(d). If the commission votes on the appointment in accordance with IC 10-19-7-5(d), a vote by a majority of the members of the commission is necessary under this subdivision in order to approve or not approve the appointment.



Speaker of the House of Representatives		
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